

BIOS for ELDER NOMINEES

John Schloss



John and Ansley have been married since 2000, have three amazing kids (Will, Kate and Jack), and have attended PBC since moving to Purcellville in May 2015. John accepted Christ as his personal Lord and Savior at the age of 9. He has seen God's grace, provision, and faithfulness at work all throughout his life, from meeting Ansley and starting their lifelong journey together, seeing God work in and through their three kids in inspiring ways, and in His drawing their family to be a part of strong church families each place they

have lived these past 21 years. John and Ansley have actively served in the PBC preschool and children's ministries the past 6 years. John has enjoyed supporting the planting of several men's fitness, fellowship, faith (F3) groups in the Loudoun County and surrounding Northern Virginia communities over the course of the past 18 months and seeing men's lives transformed and doors opened to share The Gospel through these groups. One of John's favorite passages from God's Word is Romans 12:9-21 which highlights for each of us the biblical attributes of love – be sincere, cling to what is good, be devoted to one another, honor one another above yourselves, share with God's people who are in need, practice hospitality, and overcome evil with good.

Blake Edwards



"Since my youth, O God, You have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds." Ps 71:17 Blake and Rebecca both grew up in homes that taught them of God's love and faithfulness from an early age and they both gave their lives to Him in their youth. Married since 2003, they together desire to serve Him

and declare His marvelous deeds. They have 2 children (Abby Mae & Sam) and have called PBC their church home since moving to Purcellville in 2012. Blake and Rebecca seek to serve their community and tell of God's love to those He puts in their path. Blake currently serves on the World Mission Team at PBC and has been privileged to be a part of F3 where he leads a men's small group bible study. Rebecca has volunteered with Tree of Life since 2012, serving as part of the healthcare branch and the leader of the Community Kitchen in Purcellville. Blake and his family try to live the "I'm Third" life by placing God first, others second and themselves third which Christ exemplifies in one of Blake's favorite passages Matthew 22:37-39 - And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Matt Dickersheid



My name is Matt Dickersheid. Over 20 years ago, as newlyweds, my wife, Courtney, and I reluctantly attended a church service here at PBC, when a family friend suggested we try it out. Within minutes, our year long "church shopping" came to an end. We knew the Lord meant for PBC to be our church home. This was a struggle for us at times as we live in Leesburg and come Westward to the country for church. PBC was the perfect place for the Lord to

help us grow together as a couple, in our faith, and in our family. We have 3 children, Grant (17) Ruthie (15) and Drew (12), who have been surrounded by the love and support of the Children and Youth ministries here. We often considered attending a church that is closer to our home/school and sport area, however, the Lord continued to reveal to us that we are called to remain at PBC.

While attending Messiah College I asked Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. Over the years I have directed traffic outside the old building (yes, Courtney signed me up for that one 😊), sanctuary chair team, and discipleship council. I am passionate about leadership in the home and workplace. The Lord has placed me in Loudoun County Public Schools to serve as Supervisor of Leadership Development. Recently, I have been able to serve the Lord as a Board member for Staff Fellowship, and an executive coach with Tree of Life. In addition, I have been blessed to serve as a keynote speaker at our most recent PBC Men's Conference and two Staff Leads Fellowship events.

One of my guiding verses is: Proverbs 3:5-6

"5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your understanding;
6 in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."